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## RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the July 1, 2004 Final Office Action, which set forth a shortened statutory period of three months from response. Accordingly, this response is timely filed upon mailing with an executed Certificate of Mailing on or before October 1, 2004. 37 CFR §1.8.